



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of

Inventors: Naoyasu MIYAGAWA, et al. Art Unit: 2655

Appln No.: 10/677,168 Examiner: N. Hindi

Filed: October 2, 2003 Confirmation No. 7831

For: OPTICAL RECORDING/REPRODUCING APPARATUS FOR OPTICAL DISKS WITH VARIOUS DISK SUBSTRATE THICKNESS

RESPONSE

The Honorable Commissioner of
Patents and Trademarks
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Reconsideration and allowance are respectfully requested in view of the following comments.

The Applicants hereby petition for a one-month extension of time. The fee may be charged to deposit account no. 19-4375.

A Supplemental Reissue Declaration is attached, as required in the office action.

Attached is a copy of W. Smith, et al., Modern Optical Engineering, The Design of Optical Systems, Second edition, published by McGraw-Hill, Inc., Boston Mass., Chapter Two (pages 36-40, 43-46), 1990. It is submitted that this reference is not material, but merely is evidence to prove well-known optical principles.